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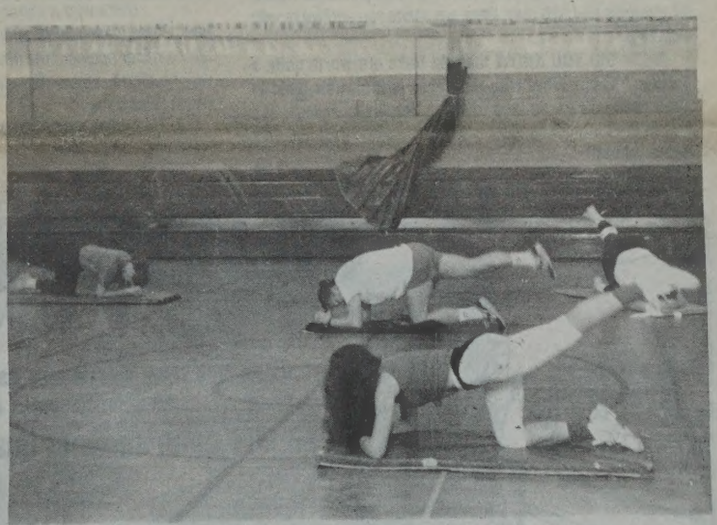


By Alec G. Belisle

SUTTON - The cold drab months of mid-winter are usually a time to struggle against cabin fever and boredom. However, no one in Sutton need be bored this winter because the Sutton Recreation Commission has put together a program that not only allows residents to get out of the house but offers them the opportunity to lose weight, develop new skills or prepare for spring and summer activities. According to Rod McLeod, director of the program, last year's schedule which offered six programs and had 99 participants has expanded to 18 programs with 311 residents participating. The Recreation Commission has scheduled a full range of activities for all ages from four years old to adult. McLeod credits a spirit of volunteerism as key to the success of the programs.

From 8:30 a.m. Saturday morning to 10 p.m., activity can be heard reverberating from the gymnasiums at the Jr.-Sr. High School and the Elementary School. Aerobic classes are held Monday, Wednesday and Saturdays; Men's Basketball on Tuesday and Saturdays; and Volleyball on Friday nights and Saturday. In addition, a variety of soccer, baseball, and basketball clinics designed for various levels of skill are also held. This year, McLeod said that one of the popular programs has been the tennis clinic which seems to have become more attractive now that the new tennis courts have been constructed at the high school.

The significant increase in the participation and the enthusiasm of the many volunteers who share their time and expertise allow the commission to keep the cost of the program down while offering quality instruction and supervision.

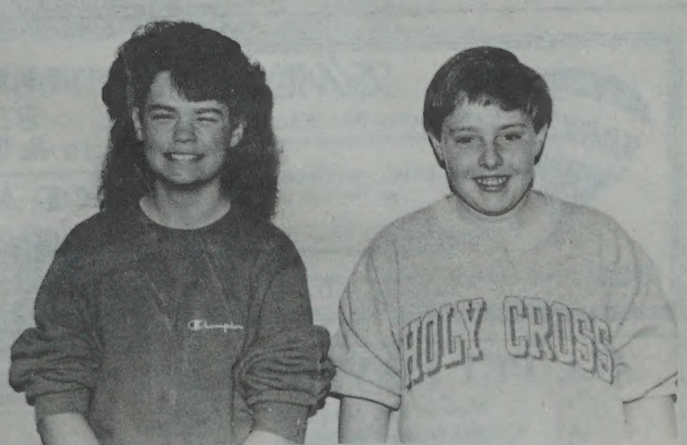
Honored at State House

(l-r) Kristine Jones, MHS Athletic Director Dave Wilbur, and Darla Pokraka

MILLBURY - Millbury High School seniors Kristine Jones and Darla Pokraka were honored on February 1st during "Massachusetts Girls' and Women in Sports" day at the state house in Boston. Students/athletes were recognized for their contributions to their school and sports' teams.

Kris is a member of the volleyball, basketball, and softball squads and Darla is a member of the soccer, winter track, and spring track teams. Both girls have served as captains in their sports.

Wins Geography Bee



Stephanie Lee, runner-up, and Michael DeAdder, winner of the Geography Bee

MILLBURY - Walter DeAdder, a 7th grade student at Millbury Memorial Jr./Sr. High School won the school's Geography Bee on February 4 and a chance at a $25,000 college scholarship. The bee, at which students answered oral questions on geography, was the first round in the 3rd annual National Geography Bee.

The winners will now take a written test; up to 100 of the top scorers in each state will be eligible to compete in their state bee on April 5.

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Here & There Bits 'N Pieces

. . . by Joe Morin

HI NEIGHBOR! *Where do I start? What to say? Do we continue along with the column in a lighthearted way or discontinue the column until things "settle down?" We've all been praying; the flag is out there fluttering in the breeze in our support of the young men and women over there. God, bring them home safe and sound. The most poignant moment we experienced while watching TV was when a little girl saw a video tape of her dad on the screen. She caressed the screen, and said in a little girl's way, "Hi, Daddy! Where are you? Please come home!" Wow! That was powerful. Again, all you guys and gals over there, we salute you and we're with you....*

DID YOU KNOW that old folks are worth quite a fortune? Yupp! What with the silver in their hair, gold in their teeth, stones in their kidneys, lead in their feet, and gas in their stomachs, it all adds up to quite a fortune. God bless 'em all!

MOTHER GOOSE VERA on the island in Manchaug was worrying about one of her young 'uns who became stranded on the ice at the lake. The little guy couldn't take off, his tail feathers stuck to the ice. Ouch! A call was sent in to the "Goose Rescue Squad." They appeared within moments and rescued Danny, the goose. He quacked a lot, spread his wings, but finally gave in to the rescuers. Mother Goose thanks the rescue squad for a job well done.

PUZZLING...the upcoming increase in postage stamps from 25 to 29 cents per. Why didn't they make it a flat 4 cent increase? Don't make "cents" at all....

YA CAN'T WIN!! Members of Congress have been dealt a fowl hand. Yupp! If they don't raise taxes, they're chicken; if they do, they're turkeys! Never mind Congress, how about Massachusetts? Let's not get into that again. There may not be any increase in taxes but "fees" will increase. Now you tell me what the heck is the difference between a fee and a tax increase. Political maneuvering, that's what it is!

"...We should take personally the fact that few politicians have had the guts or the vision to shape a coherent energy policy that would lessen our dependence on foreign oil...and we should take personal responsibility for the fact that we have not had the will to conserve or change....WHY US? We should take personally the idea that if there is to be a new world order, it must include a new answer to the question: Why us? It is time for our messiah complex to get a good overhaul....We can no longer afford economically, psychologically or politically to be the policeman of the world, even if we are the first one called when someone needs a cop... (N.Y. News)

IS IT A DREAM? A NIGHTMARE? Watching CNN transmitting the war in our homes...Weird, isn't it. We would first stop at the pizza joint, rush home, turn on the tube and watch the action! We gasp, we pray, we shudder at what's going on; rockets, jets, tracer bullets, tanks, fear of biological and chemical warfare from Saddam. And Israel, completely surrounded by those who want her eliminated. God wants peace; seems earthlings prefer war. It's up to us.

HER TEETH are like stars, so shining and bright; like those up above, they're out every night!

There was a minor accident recently with a major haul. Police waited and waited for the driver of a van to return after a minor accident the other day in Miami. They found out why he didn't return - the van was stuffed with $12 million worth of cocaine.

THESE CHOPPERS took a ride! A gentleman was waiting for a package containing his uppers and lowers. Seems they got lost in the hustle and bustle and were accidentally shipped to Saudi Arabia. The G.I. who received them noticed the mixup and immediately had them shipped back to the states to their rightful owner. Good grief! You never know! Chop, Chop!

BELIEVE IT OR NOT! Cook meats, including beef, lamb, veal and game, with one or two wine corks! Yupp! Two wine corks. The corks have enzymes that are released into the pan and tenderize the meat. Place the corks in the pot, and cooking time is reduced by almost half. P.S. Don't forget to remove the corks when done. No joke, for real. This comes from a chef from New York. I think the Bozo is pulling our leg.

YA WANNA make a bet that the first thing the guys and gals will want when they get home is a cold beer and a hamburger with fries, topped off with a pepperoni pizza? I'll drink to that!

DID YOU know that in Arab countries, letting out a loud belch after a meal is considered a compliment to the chef? Now you know!

WE SALUTE AND PRAY for the following Sutton, Manchaug and Millbury men serving in the Middle East: Stephen Hair, Sean Higgins, Robert Flinton, Michael Brothers, Michael Cahill, Thomas Richard, Scott Richard, Steven Trychon, Albert Trychon, Robert McKinnon, Joseph Lavoie, Lincoln Barton Jr., George Cote, Thomas Devine, Elde Dutter, Jeffrey Gallagher, Robert Guyan, Bruce Hjort, John Neiduski, David Pokraka, Paul Prus, William Stairs, and John Webb.

A $70,000 BURP! Concerned over the greenhouse effect? Rest assured, researchers at Washington State University are on the case. They're exploring the effects of livestock on global warming by finding out how much methane cows and other cud-chewing animals produce. Yupp! In other words, they'll be giving a breath test of sorts to cows, measuring the animals' burps as they chew their cuds. Now this is serious stuff, all in the name of science. Cattle ware fitted with backpacks to gauge their gas emissions. Cost of study: $70,000. Burp! Believe it, we kid you not!

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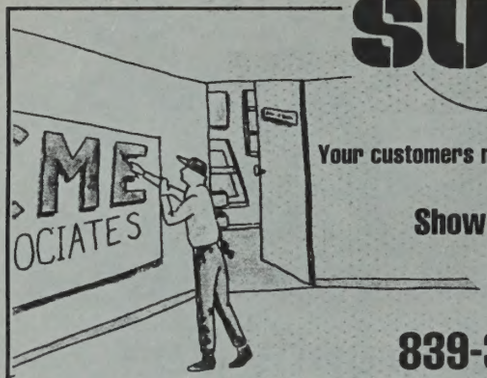

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Millbury Selectmen's Meeting Digest

Mass. Electric to Block Access to Cross Street

By Edward J. Cooney

MILLBURY - The February 5 Selectmen's meeting convened at 7 p.m. with a moment of silence for members of the Armed Forces serving in the Persian Gulf.

Cross Street

Administrative Assistant Earl Chase reported that Massachusetts Electric has advised the town that it intends to block public access to Cross Street with a gate.

Lachance expressed concern over the bridges on Cross Street and asked who would be responsible for repairing them. Chase said the bridges would probably be abandoned.

The board voted 4-1, with Lachance opposed, to inform Mass. Electric that the town is not opposed to placing a gate at the entrance to Cross Street.

Hydrant

Chase referred to the relocation of a hydrant on Church Street that received some opposition from the Board of Fire Engineers. Gauthier said the new location was close to a retaining wall. Chase said Mass. American Water Company has attempted to make the hydrant useable by raising it up but it is not yet known yet if the Fire Department is satisfied with the results.

Police Business

- The board unanimously approved a request from Police Chief Ron Stokowski to seek a transfer of $4150 from the Finance Committee to purchase computer software.
- The board signed a mutual aid agreement with the Regional Police Task Force.
- A new policy draft on domestic violence has been developed to conform to changes in the law .
- The board approved Stokowski's request for the appointment of two Oxford police officers as Special Police.
- Stokowski reported that he has been accepted to an 11 week program at the F.B.I. Academy in Quantico, Virginia. The only cost to the town would be his salary and minimal expenses to be determined later after further briefings.

A procedure is in place for appointing an acting chief in his absence.

The board voted 4-1 to allow the chief to attend the program: "I think it bodes well for our police department," Gauthier said. "If we get one person in, we will be able to get another later."

Selectman Gerry Bleau said he had a problem with the request because of the possibility of layoffs in the near future. "I can't find it in my heart to send someone away on a sabbatical," he said.

Selectman Jude Cristo noted that layoffs are only speculative at this time.

Interviews

The board interviewed four candidates who have expressed an interest in serving on the Youth Commission. One opening is available and possibly a second in the near future upon receipt of a formal letter of resignation from Youth Commission member Richard LaMontagne.

On a 5-0 vote, the board appointed Todd Smith, a psychiatric social worker with a background in special needs education in an alternative school in Boston.

Sealer of Weights & Measures

Joseph Cadorette was interviewed briefly for the position of Sealer of Weights and Measures. Appliçant Thomas Hackett will be interviewed at the next meeting. The board voted 5-0 to notify Sutton when an appointment is made. Millbury's former sealer was also employed by Sutton for a similar position.

Jug Handle

The board received a letter from Paul Carr, District Highway Engineer for the State DPW stating the reasons for the state's opposition to a jughandle and temporary lights at the entrance to the Latti Farm Industrial Park on Rte. 20.

The letter said the channelizing of westbound traffic on Rte. 20 would create problems as a reduction in Rte. 20 capacity would result. The exclusive left turn proposal to the

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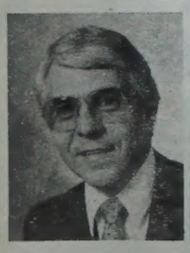

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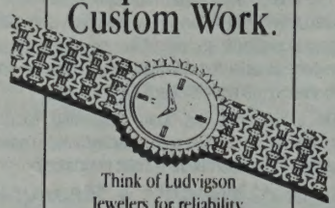

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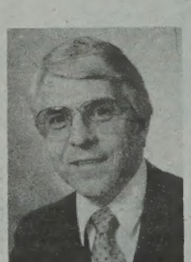

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Industrial Park entrance could also increase the opportunity for both rear end and broadside collisions, according to Carr.

Providence Street Bridge

Chase reported that it would cost the town approximately $100,000 to repair the Providence Street bridge. He said that state divers have been looking at the underwater structure to determine more accurately the damage and what needs to be done. He sid the $30,000 estimate mentioned at previous meetings was for materials only.

Chase also said BNT Sand and Gravel and other companies along Providence Road have indicated a willingness to donate materials such as concrete to help get the repairs completed quickly.

A question surfaced on whether the state has the money to complete the job. Gauthier said he spoke with Highway Surveyor Joe Chase who indicated that money will be available in April to start rebuilding the bridge.

Chase said he spoke with former selectman John Donnelly, who works for the DPW, who said there is still a question of where the money will come from to do the repair work.

Inventory Catalogue

Bleau said his proposal to develop a system for an inventory catalogue of all town property needs further discussion.

Lachance said Bleau's proposal makes sense as it could pay for itself in savings that could occur. He referred to a possible savings in health insurance as an example when in the recent past some former town employees were still being carried on the list for insurance coverage.

Cristo said that a study conducted on unused vehicles by Joe Chase could amount to several thousands of dollars in savings in insurance.

The board voted to put an article on the town warrant to fund the proposal for an inventory catalogue from the Stabilization Fund.

Budgets

Budgets submitted for the selectmen's office and the municipal office building were approved to be sent on to the finance committee for review.

Bleau suggested that, contrary to last year, the board should be involved in any discussion on proposed cuts on those budgets.

Cristo agreed, and said the board should go in with budgets as submitted and not with cuts made in advance of the finance committee's review.

Insurance

The board received a letter from the highway surveyor with an update on 12 pieces of equipment that can be dropped from the insurance list.

Chase asked the board to wait until he can check on the advisability of dropping insurance coverage because some of the equipment could be subject to theft.

Cristo suggested that a check be made with the other departments, including the school department, to see if any other equipment or vehicles presently insured could be cut.

Miscellaneous

- Cynthia Burr was approved on a 5-0 vote as the board's choice to be nominated to serve on the Blackstone Heritage Park Commission.
- Safety Officer Ron Richard recommended that several street lights be installed on Herricks Lane. He also recommended that a sign designating the approach to the Fire Station on Millbury Avenue be posted in both directions.
- A request for the Sewer commissioners for use of town counsel to assist in collecting fees from haulers of septic sewerage who have failed to pay the fees for septic hauling was deferred to the next meeting.

Tradition of Caring

MILLBURY - The theme for National VNA Week in Massachusetts is "Visiting Nurses and Much More...A Tradition of Caring for All Ages." The District Nursing Society is one of 52 VNA's across the Commonwealth which will distribute information to the public, offer special screenings, and present informative articles and feature stories about the variety of their services during National VNA Week, February 17-23.

DNA services have expanded and grown to incorporate many advanced technologies now available at home, such as IV therapy and special pediatric care. In addition to acute care, DNS offers newborn assistance and follow-up care for those weeks just after the birth of a new baby.

The campaign comes at a time when more people are interested in home care. Whether for the care of an elderly parent, or support services for a mother of a young child, the DNS is there to help. "People need to know about us," Said Betty A. Hamilton, Director of The District Nursing Society. "If they don't, there's a risk they might not be able to have the care they need." Call the Society at 865-3561 for more information.

Office Hours

SUTTON - Selectman Mary K. Connor has announced that she is holding office hours in the Selectmen's meeting room at the Town Hall every Monday from noon to 1 p.m., and every Tuesday evening from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Notice of any cancellation will be listed with the Board of Selectmen's office at 865-5078.

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Sutton Board Adopts Resolution Dealing with Local Aid

By Lawrence Moore

SUTTON - The Selectmen's Workshop meeting of February 5 was opened at 7:45 by Chair Mary K. Connor, with members Mike Chizy, Rick LaBonte, Dave Strieby and Town Administrator Dexter Blois present.

Correspondence

Connor called attention to Governor Weld's proposal to cut $520 million from local aid in the 1992 fiscal year. "If this goes through," she said, "it will cost the Town of Sutton $100,000 in local aid between 1991 and 1992. Not only that, but the other part of Governor Weld's proposal is to look at the formula for distributing local aid." If that happens, in the opinion of Representative Richard T. Moore, it could cost Sutton about $150,000.

LaBonte said part of the problem is that towns like Sutton that have traditionally passed overrides and maintained services to preserve the quality of life are going to be punished. "The cities that are run inefficiently are going to be rewarded for their inefficiency," he said. "I have a problem with that, and I feel confident State Representative Moore and Senator Amorello will do their best to see that the formula isn't changed."

Connor reviewed the basic figures: Under 2- 1/2, Sutton will be able to increase its revenue by $160,000. Insurance costs alone will increase $170,000. "With the $10,000 difference," she said, "and the $100,000 or $150,000 cut, we are at least $110,000 in the hole before we even talk about wage and salary, contractual obligations and higher costs. We cannot allow the State to balance the budget on the backs of local government."

Strieby said the Legislature has to go along with what the Governor is proposing. "If they are of a like mind, we are in trouble. I think the Legislature will have to play as big or a bigger part in putting this package together. It's the Legislature we have to be most concerned about, and not the Governor."

Labonte moved that the Selectmen adopt the following resolution:

REGARDING QUESTION 5

- Whereas, the state and local governments represent the same constituency; and,
- Whereas, municipal governments provide essential and critical services to the citizens of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and,
- Whereas, municipal officials are anxious to reestablish this vital state-municipal partnership for the benefit of all the citizens of the state; and,
- Whereas, Question 5 was approved by 1.2 million voters, or 57%, in the last November Election,
- Therefore, be it resolved that: the Board of Selectmen of Sutton demand that its Senator and Representative do everything necessary for the establishment of a reasonable state revenue sharing program for cities and towns as required by Question 5, which was approved overwhelmingly by the voters of the 1990 biennial state election, to provide for sufficient state revenues to help fund local services.

The resolution was approved unanimously.

Recognizing the impact budget reconciliation will have on the Town, the Selectmen discussed mounting a public relations Program designed to encourage voter communication with Legislators.

Strieby suggested a summary of the budget position be included with the tax bills to be mailed March 1. Blois will draft a position paper requesting voter action.

The board voted unanimously to place the following article on the Town Meeting Warrant:

"To see if the Town will vote to demand that its Senator and Representative do everything necessary for the establishment of a reasonable state revenue sharing program for cities and towns as required by Question 5, which was approved overwhelmingly by the voters at the 1990 biennial state election, to provide for sufficient state revenues to help fund local services."

Recreation Commission

The board's regular meeting opened at 7:58 p.m. with a discussion on the Recreation Commission's Revolving Account. This account is set up under a specific statute, unlike other accounts.

Strieby said he was concerned that the Selectmen have not been approving expenditures, although he did express confidence in the operations of the Commission and in the supervision that Blois exercised over payments. He questioned the possibility of delegating the Selectmen's Statutory responsibility to Blois as the Selectmen's agent to "approve" expenditures made by the Recreation Commission.

LaBonte expressed a willingness to delegate that authority, saying, "I think this is much ado about nothing."

Blois said other "approval" requirements have never been exercised. "It doesn't make any difference to me," he said, "but I think you're nit-picking."

Connor said she felt it was necessary to follow through on the Selectmen's authority over the parameters of the Revolving Account.

Blois replied, "I don't think you have that authority."

Chizy praised the Recreation Committee, saying he was not going to tell them "what they should or should not spend for this or that. They know a lot better than I do about it," he said. Chizy also pointed to Blois' experience as a good manager, controlling the expenditures of all departments.

Strieby made a motion that the Board of Selectmen delegate the responsibility over oversight of all expenditures of the Recreation Commission Revolving Fund to the Town Administrator and approve all expenditures he deems as in the best interest of the Community and the Recreation program. Funds or expenditures only of a questionable nature as determined by the Town Administrator will be brought before the board.

The motion passed 3 to 1, with Connor opposed. "I'm not opposed to the principle on which you brought that forward," she said. "I don't think we have the right to change what State law tells us we're supposed to do."

Budget

The budgets submitted by Town Departments are more than $900,000 over anticipated revenues. Blois submitted several worksheets representing his preliminary attempts to

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DEAR NEIGHBOR...as we mentioned in the beginning, I hesitated in putting out a "regular" column, i.e., on a lighter vein, small talk, funny and or ridiculous! I thought it over and figured that maybe, just maybe, we could ease the tension bottled up inside all of us. Maybe, just maybe, a little break from this damn war we're in was called for. It may not be the time for "laughing out loud" but perhaps a little smile, a chuckle would help. It won't hurt! Hope I did the right thing.

THIS STORY sent to us by a reader: A woman speaking to her marriage counselor: "I'm really in love with him. He loves me. We both enjoy the same things. He earns plenty of money and we're really happy together. The problem is, what should I tell my husband?" Mon Dieu!

WHEN we become wrinkled with care and worry, it's time to have our "faith" lifted....

Well, me friends, 'tis almost time to say adieu, for awhile. We tried, in our own little way, to give you an idea on our thoughts and feelings. The pastors of area churches are doing their best in encouraging the parents, friends and relatives of those overseas. We all have to stick together and offer a shoulder to lean on, a hand to shake, a phone call, yes even a little levity is in store. Perhaps I can help in that department.

God of Our Father, help us all in these trying days.

Your friend,
Joseph

No. 1 Producer

MILLBURY - Holly Oliveri of Millbury has been named No. 1 Producer in earnings and volume for 1990 for the Grafton and Millbury offices of Re/Max Associates, Realtors.

Oliveri joined Re/Max only six months ago and now serves as Office Coordinator. She has 12 years of experience in the real estate field. Her office is located at 138 Providence Turnpike (Rte. 146), Millbury.

Women's Bowling League

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Pat Gaspar and Irma Healy shared the high single, a 117.

Rolling 100 and over were: Pat Gaspar, 117-113; Charlotte Gabree, 111-108; Irma Healy, 117; Bobbee Bernard, 107; Ann Coons, 104; Doris Collette, 103; Kathy Marble, 103; Marge McArdle, 101; Ellie Gosselin, 101; and Ellie Sulham, 100.

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Service for Peace and Safety of Troops

MILLBURY - The public is invited to Assumption Church on Thursday, February 21, at 7 p.m. to participate in an hour of prayer for the safety of servicemen and women and for peace in the Middle East.

Women's Aglow

SUTTON - Women's Aglow Fellowship, a network of caring women, will meet on February 19 at 7:30 p.m. at Pleasant View Motor Lodge, Rte. 146. Guest speaker will be Iris Pelley.

On The Shelf

By Rosemary Waltos

The Millbury Public Library has always been pleased to be able to offer quality children's videos. In 1987, with a state grant, the library was able to establish its children's video collection with 25 video titles. This collection has been growing steadily since then. Today, we boast of over 200 children's videos from the every popular "Baby Songs" to Disney's "Anne of Green Gables" to "Black Stallion".

In January, 1991, the library received a grant of $5,000 worth of videotapes from the American Library Association. With this grant, library users can enjoy a collection of 25 high quality unique videotapes that children will enjoy watching.

Elaine Loehmann, head of children's services at the library, will introduce the library's fast growing children's video collection at our week long "Vacation Video" program during the week of February 19 between 10:30 and 11:30, Tuesday through Friday.

"Vacation Video" starts on Tuesday with two videos from the story shelves for kids ages 6-12: "Soldier Jack" - the story of a solider returning from World War II; "Tap Dance Kid" - 12-year old Emma and 8-year old Willie challenge their parents' wishes when they fight for Willie's right to be a tap dancer.

Wednesday's videos are especially for preschoolers through age 7: "Adventures in the Night Kitchen" - a rollicking musical score and sprightly animation highlights a small boy's dream of what happens at night in a magical bakery; "Where the Wild Things Are" features the adventures of Max as he ventures into the night to become King of the Wild Things; "Frog and Toad are Friends" - two animated amphibian pals explore classic aspects of friendship in five short, funny episodes.

For kids ages one to 99, we have four family videos on Thursday morning: "Doctor Desoto and Other Stories" - a delightfully silly tale of a mouse dentist, whose greatest challenge comes when he must work on the teeth of a very large wolf; "Banana, Banana, Banana Slugs," shows children enjoying nature in the California redwood forest with the most unlikely of creatures, the banana slug; "Rainbow War" - spectacular special effects highlight this animated allegory in which the Red, Yellow, and Blue kingdoms overcome their suspicions of each other and combine their resources to produce a gorgeous rainbow of colors.

Friday will wind up our "Vacation Video" program by offering kids a chance to look at things from someone else's point of view: "Tin Toy" tells the story of a baby who terrorizes a small wind-up toy; "Mouse and a Motorcycle" - a young mouse makes friends with a bedridden boy and risks his life by riding a toy motorcycle to get medicine; "Chicken Thing" - a young boy in a house visited by aliens thinks his imagination is playing tricks when inanimate objects come menacingly to life.

Dance Marathon

MILLBURY - A dance marathon to benefit the Millbury Super Park, "Woolies World", will be held at the St. Charles Hotel on February 17, from 12 p.m. to 10 p.m. There will also be a raffle for a CD player. Stop in and show your support.

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D.A.'s Office Comments on Superintendent's Letter

By Edward J. Cooney

MILLBURY - The School Committee, at its February 7 meeting, spent nearly 25 minutes discussing and making changes to the regular and Executive Session minutes of the January 16 meeting. The regular meeting minutes were approved unanimously; executive session minutes were approved on a 4-0-1 vote with committee member Jane Pojani abstaining.

Homework Policy

Wilczynski addressed his concerns with the present homework policy established by the school committee. He said his concerns came out of a discussion in executive session at the January meeting. That discussion centered on allegations that high school math teacher William Rosen did not follow the Committee's policy on homework and grading.

"We have to find a better way to clarify this situation," Wilczynski said. "I have received information that some of the staff may not be recording grades of homework."

Wilczynski said the key word in the policy is "evaluate." He said that Rosen did evaluate homework in his own way. He also noted said that some teachers are doing much more than that and are questioning why any extra effort should be made if the policy is not going to be enforced throughout the system.

Wilczynski, referring to Rosen, said it is a question of whether Rosen collects homework, grades it, and turns it back so the students will know where they stand. "I have a problem with that if that's not being done," he said. "Teachers should keep track of marks and grades."

Wilczynski said Rosen indicated that he made notes on students' homework and later threw away the notes and couldn't back up the grades. "I'm not saying that's right or wrong," he said, "but he could not back up with records his grading of homework but relied on his memory."

The committee voted 5-0 to ask the curriculum council to review the Homework Policy and report back to the School Committee.

Pojani remarked that policies should be adhered to or else they are no good. "Some teachers may be complying with policy and others not," she said. "We are asking students and parents to adhere to policy, it should take place all across the board."

Committeeman Alan Marble said it would be difficult to come up with a general policy as staff may differ in assignments in subject areas. "It's difficult to make a general statement. It's important that teachers record or be accountable to back up a grade if a problem arises."

Wilczynski said it should be clear what the school committee's expectations are: "Students do homework; get credit," he said. "Teachers should let students know what their grade is and be able to back it up."

A parent in the audience said interpretation differs on what percentage of a student's grade should come from homework. She also said that there was an instance when teachers' warnings of failures to students only reflected test scores and not other areas as spelled out in the teacher expectation sheets given to students. "Students and parents get a false idea of where a student stands," she said.

Assistant Superintendent Richard Palermo said a change was made in the policy in May of 1989 which dropped the percentage requirement of the homework policy.

Committeeman Bruce Pease said he would not back any proposal to require a teacher to give a mark for homework in numerical or alphabetical form. He said homework is a tool for learning and should not be punitive to a student.

Proposed Legislation

At Sylvia's request, the committee agreed to send a letter to legislators opposing proposed legislation that would allow town meeting voters to approve or disapprove the school budget line by line. They maintained that the law would limit the ability to transfer funds from one account to another to support all school programs.

Executive Session

A February 4 letter from Assistant District Attorney Leon Zitowitz to Sylvia referred to a January 7 letter from Sylvia to Greg Pojani. Zitowitz said he was "quite disturbed" by Sylvia's statement in the letter that he (Zitowitz) had advised Sylvia that under the open meeting law, William Rosen could either have the discussion of a "certain item" in an executive session or in a public session.

"What disturbed me," Zitowitz wrote, "is the fact that my notes indicate that I read you portions of the open meeting law and allowed you to draw our own conclusions. In fact, I advised you to contact the attorney for the school committee for an opinion."

Sylvia, in a written response to Zitowitz, acknowledged that Zitowitz suggested "that it would be best to have a legal opinion from the School Committee's attorney." Sylvia apologized to Zitowitz and said it was not his intent to misinterpret his (Zitowitz') position.

Pojani noted that had the school committee sought a legal opinion from their own counsel, as she had requested, they would not be dealing with this problem now. She noted that she had asked that an opinion be sought from the school committee's attorney but Sylvia told her it would require a majority decision by the school committee. She said she never heard anything one way or another about her request.

Hanratty said he made the decision to contact the D.A.'s office instead, and asked Sylvia to do so.

Marble said he read the open meting law and said the notification of an executive session meeting by Sylvia was a technical error but in the spirit of the open meeting law he would have hated to see Rosen denied the opportunity to go into executive session. He also said Sylvia was acting as an agent of the School Committee.

Wilczynski said he has always considered it appropriate to honor requests of staff members. He said he was also concerned that a courtesy and proper protocol was not extended to a colleague for a request for an opinion from MASC (Mass. Assoc. of School Committees) counsel.

Sylvia said he couldn't recall Pojani specifically asking for an opinion from Broadhurst (the MASC attorney). Pojani said she asked for an opinion from the MASC attorney.

The committee agreed to have Hanratty draft a letter to Attorney Austin Broadhurst to seek his opinion on the executive session request.

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Pojani asked that all members be given a copy of the letter prior to its being sent to Broadhurst.

Cellular One

Sylvia reported that two representatives from Cellular One have expressed an interest in constructing a 300 foot tower and a precast equipment building with access road on school property, possibly at the Shaw Elementary School. Sylvia said the town wold receive financial benefits. The committee agreed to listen to the proposal.

Progress Reports

Pojani suggested that progress reports sent home to parents include homework and not just tests as part of the grade. She also asked if progress reports were only issued to students receiving possible D's or failures. Sylvia said he could not recall.

Letter to the Editor

Pojani expressed concern with a recent letter to the editor that appeared in the **Millbury-Sutton Chronicle** from three members of the School Committee: Hanratty, Pease, and Marble. She said that she respects the right of the three to express their own opinions, but noted that three members of the committee constitutes a quorum and as such would be a violation of the open meeting law. The open meeting law requires a simple majority of a governmental body to post a meeting 48 hours in advance if deliberations are made by a quorum of members relative to public business.

Hanratty said there was no meeting and the letter to the editor was a response to a letter to the editor by citizens concerning a coaching appointment. "It was a composite of three different letters," he said.

Marble said he received a letter from Hanratty asking him to add or make further suggestions to a response to the citizens' letter.

Pease made no response to Pojani's remarks.

Pojani asked whether the letter was typed by school department personnel and said, if so, it should not have been. Her question went unanswered.

Pojani then said she resented the inference in the letter that she and Wilczynski caved into political pressure by their vote for a candidate other than the candidate the majority supported. Another concern she expressed was an inference that the letter writers who criticized the school committee's vote did not have the right to be politically active for anyone.

Hanratty replied that the letter was an attempt to clarify the majority position and was no reflection on those who supported another candidate since anyone has a right to attend a public meeting.

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Alfred C. Bazin

Devoe Taylor Post

MILLBURY - A meeting of the Devoe Taylor Post No. 9 American Legion will be held on Monday, February 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the Asa Waters Mansion. Stuart Mulhane, Commander, will preside. Members are asked to please attend.

Lenten Service

GRAFTON - Dr. Peter W. Stine, Chairman of the Department of English Language and Literature at Gordon College in Wenham, MA, will be the guest speaker at the Union Congregational Church on February 17 at 7 p.m. This will the first in a series of Lenten services. Dr. Stine will deliver a dramatic monologue focusing on the life and work of the Reverend Adoniram Judson, America's first missionary to India and Burma in the early 1800's.

February Films at Library

MILLBURY - The Millbury Public Library, 128 Elm Street, will present "Adventures of Milo & Otis" on February 16 and "American Tail" on February 23, both starting at 11:00 a.m. Registration is necessary. There is a $1.25 admission fee for each film, payable at the time of registration, for the cost of food and refreshments served at intermission. "February Films" is sponsored by the Millbury House of Pizza and the Friends of the Millbury Public Library.

Named to Dean's List

The following students have been named to the Dean's List at their respective colleges: Nichols College, Maxine M. Dupre of Millbury, a sophomore majoring in Accounting, Dean's High Honors; Bryant College, Marie LaBreck of Millbury, a junior management major and Susan Nikosey of Millbury, a senior management major.

Winter Carnival in Oxford

OXFORD - The fourth annual Oxford Winter Carnival will take place on Sunday, February 17, from 1-5 p.m. at the bandstand, Main Street. Included in the activities will be sleigh rides, snowshoe races, ice carving, ski demonstrations, snowmobile demonstrations, Worcester Science Center program, and a Mass. Audubon Society display. All activities are free. Sponsored by the Oxford Bandstand Committee and the Oxford Lions Club.

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achieve a balanced budget, saying, "If we're looking to reduce $900,000, we've got an awful lot of work to do." His work attempts to show the effect of balancing efforts on people, services, and hours. He suggested the Board study his numbers and at a subsequent meeting determine the direction the balancing discussion should take. "I need direction from the Board as far as policy. I can balance the Budget, but it may not be what the Selectmen had in mind."

Blois had asked Department Heads to submit a budget providing the same level of services as this year. Except for School and Police, the Budget includes no wage adjustments. Each 1% increase in wages adds $12,000 to the deficit.

LaBonte agreed with Blois that Department Heads should be given a "bottom line" figure but should themselves determine how that figure is to be reached, as long as it is in line with policy as determined by Selectmen.

LaBonte brought up new taxes imposed by Federal Law.

"The Federal Government makes their cuts by imposing a new tax on the Town," Connor said.

"We know that," LaBonte replied. "I think the citizens have to know that because these are things that are new and are going to impact on the bottom line."

Blois explained that as of July 1, 1991, all employees not covered by County or School pension plans must pay 7.65% to FICA (Social Security), matched by Town funds. This amounts to $44,000. Other non-controllable expenditure increases are $100,000 for health insurance, and $20,000 for liability insurance. "This is a total of almost $170,000 over which we have no control," said Connor.

Connor remarked that in the past, departments have been asked to bear the load equally. "We can't say it this year until we see what it means," she said.

Blois said that to do it proportionately would have a drastic effect on Town service. "The hole in the dike is bigger than your finger," he said.

The magnitude of the discrepancy in the budget makes it essential, in the opinion of all members of the Board, for all Departments and Boards to work together, as they have in the past, to provide the most equitable level of service possible within a balanced budget. A $900,000 difference will require every budget in town to be subject to question and revision. Failure to achieve balance will delay tax bills and cause borrowing, further reducing money available for services.

Connor suggested Town owned land be looked at to see if it represented a possible source of money. Chizy and LaBonte thought land disposal now would be an ineffective "quick fix". It was agreed to "look into what the benefit a year from now would be", as expressed by Connor. A list assembled by the Town Planner will be reviewed.

Miscellaneous

- Chizy asked for a list of Sutton residents serving in Desert Storm so a communication from the Selectmen could be sent to them.
- Chizy asked why the town continues to pay hydrant rent, and wondered whether it could be included in the cost of new development.
- Strieby questioned the relation of the National and Local census figures. In the opinion of Town Clerk Ethel O'Day, they were very good, showing a difference of only 50 people. Sutton, however, will be redistricted, since development has resulted in a precinct count at variance with the 5% disparity allowed by law.
- There is no hard information from either New England Telephone Company or the Department of Public Utilities about the request from South Sutton subscribers using the 234 exchange to be included in 865.

Post Office

Connor expressed dissatisfaction with the proposed location of a new Sutton Post Office near the Millbury line on Route 146. Objections were raised to the site, to traffic problems, and to the mention of a traffic light.

"I refuse to accept that we cannot have input," Connor said. "I don't care what permits they want, they are not putting a Post Office there."

Blois said he would call Congressman Joseph Early in the morning. "He's the one who can put a stop to it." Blois said he has called Joe Mulvey of the Post Office many times to present the Selectmen's point of view, but his calls have not been returned.

Scholarship Applications

MILLBURY - The Millbury Chapter of the Citizen's Scholarship Foundation of America each year awards scholarships to Millbury residents who are Seniors in High School or already attending college.

Scholarship applications will be available at the Whitney Agency, 112 Elm Street, and may be picked up after February 11. These applications are only for students who are already in college or Seniors who do not attend Millbury High School.

Applications will be given to Millbury High School seniors on Wednesday, March 13. The deadline for submitting applications is Friday, March 22. For further information, call Raymond Gemme at 865-5843.

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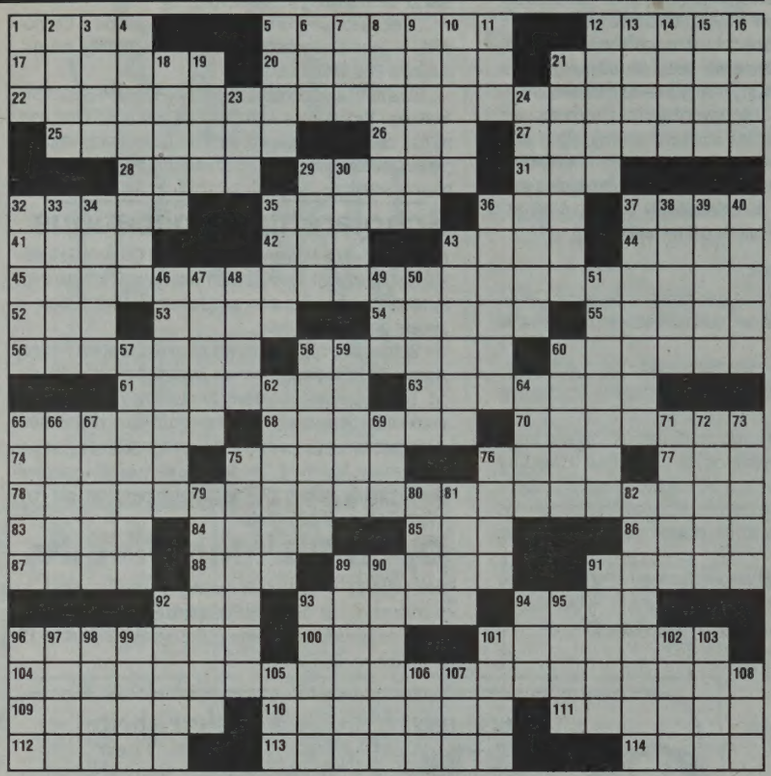

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By Frances Hansen

ACROSS

1 Largest of the Marianas
5 Appalled
12 Lucky chance
17 Skilled performer
20 Childish
21 Went under
22 Start of a heartless valentine
25 Appropriated
26 Carried the day
27 "Rabbit ears"
28 Writer Wiesel
29 Mix together
31 Classic car
32 Outdated
35 Doctrine
36 Grid positions
37 Poet Teasdale
41 Hard labor
42 Morsel for Dobbin
43 Mrs. counterparts
44 Baseball Speaker
45 More of valentine
52 Bronx follower
53 King or Alda
54 Kind of quilt
55 Rear
56 Square dance call
58 Maryland athlete
60 What a valentine needs to be
61 Petroleum distillation
63 Make definite
65 Burning brightly
68 Prison principal
70 One of the best
74 Summa cum —
75 Daughter of Ops
76 Caesar's wings
77 "Norma —": Field film
78 More of valentine
83 Chemistry Nobelist: 1934
84 Twits, to Brits
85 Stag's love
86 "The Time Machine" victims
87 Service eating area
88 Med. degree
89 Hue
91 Not spicy
92 Exist
93 Ethan or Steve
94 Beautician's offering, briefly
96 Clam pot
100 Thick roll of bills
101 Male chauvinists
104 End of verse
109 Muscat residents
110 Partner for "Old Lace"
111 Come to an agreement
112 Dud
113 Man of the soil
114 Veers

DOWN

1 Merry, in Metz
2 Sky Bear
3 "...— o'clock scholar"
4 Liza
5 Tater
6 Attila, notably
7 "— the ramparts..."
8 Made rooster sounds
9 Cio-Cio-San's garb
10 Large antelope
11 Household retreat
12 Ipso —
13 Biting insects
14 — Bator, Mongolian capital
15 "Ol' Man River" composer
16 Mussolini's daughter
18 Inscribed pillar
19 Cabby's car
21 Bridge ploy
23 Society page word
24 Joel Chandler Harris story
29 Scottish hillside
30 Latvian
32 Decorous
33 Jay Silverheels role
34 Nurses' assistants
35 Trite humor
36 Gelid
37 Tries hard
38 "Thin as —"
39 Washer cycle
40 Requested
43 Lenin's successor
46 Aida's love
47 Skip the wedding march
48 Deep cut
49 Here, in Hyères
50 Figure of speech
51 Fred Mertz role player
57 "All — work"
58 Tara family
59 Not so prevalent
60 Chewing tooth
62 Chirping sounds
64 Evans or Carnegie
65 Collector's book
66 "Pelléas et Mélisande" composer
67 Troubadours' music-makers
69 D.C. time
71 Singing syllables
72 Duelist Burr
73 Decorated again
75 Foolish fancy
76 State firmly
79 Julie or Dana
80 Twiddling one's thumbs
81 Shortly
82 Hotel "queen" Leona
89 First-rate
90 "Golden" songs
91 Subversive inducement
92 With full force
93 Cognizant
94 Church seat
95 Word with final or physical
96 Aircraft acronym
97 Weighty book
98 Wax-coated cheese
99 Cartoonist Peter
101 Religious group
102 "Toodle-oo!"
103 TV screen flurry
105 Track unit
106 Genetic initials
107 — Tin Tin
108 Chess pcs.

Solution to Last Week's Puzzle

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Mother Goose & GRIMM
WILD THING... DUN DUN DUN DUN
YOU MAKE MY HEART SING... DUN DUN DUN
YOU MAKE EVERYTHING... DUN DUN GROOVY... DUN DUN DUN DUN I THINK I LUUUVE YOU...
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W.J.L.

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Sutton Cemetery Commission
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Cemetery Commission will hold a public hearing on February 19, 1991 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall to discuss the elimination of shrubs over 3 feet high in all cemeteries in the Town of Sutton. The public is invited to attend and give comments.
William J. Guertin, Chairman
Cemetery Commission

Millbury Planning Board
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A, M.G.L., the Millbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 25, 1991 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office Building, 127 Elm Street, Millbury for modifications to an approved Site Plan Review for IBA, Inc., Providence Road, Millbury under Article 1, Section 12.4 of the Millbury Zoning Bylaws.

Anyone wishing to be heard on these modifications should appear at the time and place designated above.
Anna Lewandowski
Chairwoman
February 7 and 14, 1991

From My Window on Farnsworth Court

By "Pastor Rae" Cameron

Tragedy has come to our area in the death of several members of our communities in the February 1st collision of two airplanes in California. They were going to the Grand National's Auto race in California when this crash occurred. Jennifer Dow had just switched seats with her mother in order to sit with her father and they both were taken. Out heartfelt sympathy to all of the families and friends of these dear folks.

The Millbury/Sutton Ecumenical Cluster just had a meeting with the principals of both Millbury and Sutton High Schools. We were told that this tragedy has had a great effect on the students of Millbury High School as Jennifer graduated from there last year. Millbury High School has a most wonderful guidance department that has been dealing with this issue.

A pastor lost his son when the son's car went into Boston Harbor and the son drowned. Maybe I've told this story before, but it bears repeating now. Some, in trying to console the pastor, said that he has to accept this as God's will. The pastor was enraged and said that he did not believe God willed all of the circumstances that led to his son's death. Rather, when his son drowned on the bottom of Boston Harbor it was God who first cried over this tragedy.

Our God, revealed in the person of Jesus Christ, is a "man of sorrows and acquainted with grief." Jesus has taught us to "weep with those who weep" and we of the Christian Community join in the sorrow of this occasion. God bless you all. Amen.

Millbury Planning Board
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 81R, M.G.L., the Millbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 25, 1991 at 9:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office Building, 127 Elm Street, Millbury to consider an application for a Waiver of Compliance for Sandra Wahlgren. The property is located at 10 Heather Avenue in Millbury.

Anyone interested in this application should appear at the time and place designated above.
Anna Lewandowski
Chairwoman
February 7 and 14, 1991

Millbury Planning Board
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, section 81R, M.G.L., the Millbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 25, 1991 at 9:15 p.m. at the Municipal Office Building, 127 Elm Street, Millbury to consider an application for a Waiver of Compliance for Karen Lyons. The property is located at 3 Carlstrom Lane in Millbury.

Anyone interested in this application should appear at the time and place designated above.
Anna Lewandowski
Chairwoman
February 7 and 14, 1991

Calendar

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

SUTTON - The Senior Pilgrim Fellowship of the First Congregational Church will hold its 13th Annual Spaghetti Supper from 5-7 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

MILLBURY - Engine Company 2 of the Millbury Fire Department will hold its 4th annual Lake Singletary Ice Fishing Derby from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MILLBURY - Engine Co. 2 of the Millbury Fire Department will hold a pancake breakfast from 6 a.m. to 11 a.m. Sausage and bacon will be served with the pancakes.

MILLBURY - A dance marathon to benefit the Millbury Super Park will be held at the St. Charles Hotel from noon to 10 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18

MILLBURY - The Devoe Taylor Post No. 9 American Legion will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Asa Waters Mansion.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

MILLBURY - The public is invited to Assumption Church at 7 p.m. to participate in an hour of prayer for the safety of servicemen and women and for peace in the Middle East.

DEADLINE

The deadline for ALL submissions to the Millbury-Sutton Chronicle is noon on Saturday of the week prior to publication.

Church Listings

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION, MILLBURY: Reverend Monsignor Mederic J. Roberts, Pastor; Reverend Robert Spellman, Associate Pastor - Weekday Masses: 7:30 a.m.; Saturday Mass: 4:00 p.m.; Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.; Confessions: Saturday from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

ST. BRIGID'S - MILLBURY: Rev. Thomas J. Markey, Pastor; Rev. Laurence V. Brault, Associate Pastor - Weekday Masses: 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.; Saturday Masses: 4:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.; Sunday Masses: 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.; Confessions: Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to noon, and from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

St. ANNE'S - MANCHAUG: Weekday Masses: Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m.; Friday at 7:00 p.m.; Saturday Masses: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday Masses 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Confessions: Saturday at 4:00 p.m.; Baptisms by appointment.

ST. MARK'S - SUTTON: Rev. John E. Horgan, Pastor - Weekday Masses: 9:00 a.m.; Saturday Masses: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Confessions: Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, U.C.C, MILLBURY: Rev. Jane Haley, 865-9737; Sundays: Church School at 9:00 a.m., Worship at 10:30 a.m. Child care is available, fellowship time follows worship. Come join us! Youth group (7-12 grade) every Tuesday at 7 p.m.; Diaconate - First Thursday; Executive Committee - first Monday. Please inquire about Women's Fellowship meetings and events.

MILLBURY FEDERATED CHURCH - UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, United Methodist Church: Sundays: 10:00 a.m., Worship and Childcare; 10:15 a.m., Church School; 11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

FIRST BAPTIST, WEST SUTTON: The Rev. John Olson - Sunday Morning Worship at 9:30 a.m. followed by Coffee Time at 10:30 a.m.; 3rd Tuesday of each month - Women's Association meetings.

MILLBURY BAPTIST (American Baptist): The Rev. H. Raeburn Cameron, Pastor; Mr. Charles H. King, Minister of Music. Sunday School - Nursery through Adults at 9:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. (nursery provided); Communion Sunday, first Sunday of the month. Wednesdays: 10:00 a.m., Discovery Group meets for Bible study; Thursdays, Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.

RAYMOND MEMORIAL CONGREGATIONAL (United Church of Christ): Mr. Raymond Mars, Pastor; Miss Elfreida Klaucke, Organist - Sunday Morning Service at 9:30 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL, Main St., Wilkinsonville: Rev. Walter E. Reynolds; Saturday, 5:30 p.m. - Holy Communion; Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion - 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion (1st-3rd-5th Sunday); Morning Prayer on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Church School - Pre-School - Grade 8

EMANUEL LUTHERAN, 200 Greenwood Street, Worcester, MA, Telephone: 756-6620: the Rev. Ronald E. Jackson, Pastor; Family Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Educational Hour, 10 a.m.; Communion on First Sunday of the month and Festival Sundays; nursery provided.

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 53 N. Main St., N. Grafton, 839-3453; Vicar, the Rev. Dr. Thomas Sullivan. Holy Eucharist 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Sundays.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 88 Main St., South Grafton. Member-Conservative Congregational Christian Conference. Howard C. DeVries, Pastor; Austin McLaughlin, Organist and Music Director. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. Sunday evening Service of Prayer and Praise, 7 p.m. Wednesday, choir rehearsal.

THE VILLAGE BIBLE CHURCH, meeting in the Raymond Memorial Church, Raymond Street, East Millbury: Pastor, Rev. Bruce Buchanan; Sunday Services at 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Sunday School, 5:30 p.m.; Wednesday night prayer meeting and Bible study, 7:00 p.m.

SUTTON FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH: Rev. Andrew J. Bierkan, Pastor - SUNDAYS: 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship & Church School in the Meetinghouse; Crib Room Nursery, Preschool 3's & 4's, Kindergarten, Grades 1-8 at 10:00 a.m.; Jr. P.F. meets twice a month as announced; Sr. P.F. 7-9 p.m. Adult P.F. meets twice a month as announced; Cherub Choir (grades K,1,&2) rehearsals following worship. PROGRAMS: 2nd Thursday, Women's Fellowship of Sutton luncheon/program/meeting at noon. MONTHLY PUBLIC SUPPERS: 1st Saturdays, two sittings, 5 & 6:15 p.m. MONTHLY PUBLIC LUNCHEONS: 3rd Wednesday, noon to 1 p.m. April-November

HOSANNA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, Rev. CLiff Larson, 865-7414: meeting in the former Center School, corner of Elm and Waters Street, Millbury. Non-denominational, Spirit led services. SUNDAY: coffee and donuts at 10:30 a.m.; Worship Service at 11:00 a.m. (Sunday School for ages 3-12 during Sunday morning message); Revival Service at 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m., Bible Study. Nursery provided for all services.

SUTTON - Sutton Cub Scout Pack 243 and Pack 143 held their annual Pinewood Derby races recently. Pack 243 Cub Master John Lefferts (top photo) stands with the winners of Pack 243: (l-r) Eric MacDonald, Ryan Shepherd, and Chris Wilke.

Winners from Pack 143 (l-r) Larry Morris (most original), Brendon Donovan, 3rd place; Mike Penterson, 1st place; and Jeff Penterson, 2nd place.

Anxious moments as the scouts of Pack 243 wait to see which car will cross the finish list first.

Looking over the Pack 143 competition: Jeff Penterson, Chris Baker, and Ethan Washbourne.

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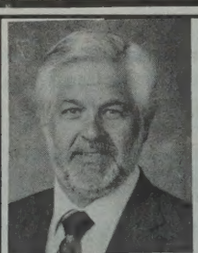

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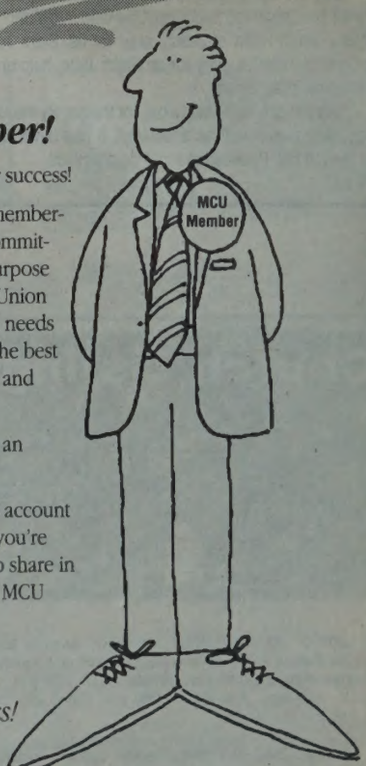

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